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Specifically, Defendants object to and ask the Court to strike Exhibits A, B, B-1, C, D, and E (the "Exhibits"), together with all references to them and their content in the Reply brief. Defendants will withdraw this objection if the Court denies Plaintiff's Motion. However, if the Court is inclined to grant any aspect of it and consider the new "evidence" found in the Reply brief, then Defendants respectfully request leave to file a sur-reply brief to correct a number of misstatements by Plaintiff and provide the full record to the Court for its consideration.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 6th day of April 2022.

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DATED: April 6, 2022.

Kathy Koback, Legal Assistant